



## CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

### ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

APPROVED MINUTES on 11-17-03

Minutes of the Environmental Quality Affairs Citizens Advisory Committee held at the City of Newport Beach Police Department Auditorium, 870 Santa Barbara Drive, on October 20, 2003.

#### Members Present:

Richard Nichols, Council Member  
Robert Hawkins, Chairperson  
Cris Trapp, Vice Chairperson  
Brent Cooper  
Laura Dietz  
Thomas Eastmond  
Maggie Fitzgerald  
Ray Halowski

Tom Hyans  
Elaine Linhoff  
Nancy Raney  
Richard Rivett  
Dolores Otting  
Louis Von Dyl  
Jennifer Winn

#### Staff Representatives:

Sharon Wood, Assistant City Manager  
Niki Kallikounis, Planning Department Assistant

#### Members not Present:

Steve Bromberg, Mayor  
Barry Allen  
Gary Borquez  
Gus Chabre  
Carol Hoffman

Phillip Lugar  
Jim Miller  
Marge Pantzar  
Christopher Welsh

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Minutes of September 15, 2003

**Motion** was made by Cris Trapp to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Jennifer Winn.

Chairman Hawkins commented on the meeting attendance and suggested that Membership Subcommittee meet to propose rules regarding attendance and to send report to the City Council regarding the attendance of members. Chairman Hawk stated that he was concerned about the level of participation in the reports. Cris Trapp volunteered to serve on the Membership Subcommittee.

Sharon Wood noted, for the benefit of the Membership Subcommittee, that resolution contains a statement regarding attendance, which they might want to refer to

**Motion** passed unanimously.

2. Report from Airport Issues Subcommittee on NOP for John Wayne Airport Expansion

Maggie Fitzgerald reported that Airport Issues Subcommittee II met with City Attorney Bob Burnham to discuss the Notice of Preparation and Scoping on the John Wayne Airport Settlement Amendment Implementation Plan.

3. Review of CEQA Procedures

Sharon Wood gave a brief review of the CEQA procedures. Discussion ensued with questions and answers.

4. New Projects

a. Environmental documents for Irvine Business Complex and residential development

Ms. Wood commented, at the last meeting, the City Council asked that EQAC look at these environmental documents to see if there are any comments to make. Ms. Wood described the Irvine Business Complex project. Discussion ensued, which followed with questions and answers. A subcommittee was appointed as follows:

Cris Trapp, Laura Dietz, Thomas Eastmond, and Dolores Otting.

b. Draft Environmental Impact Report for Pacific City, Huntington Beach

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) is available on-line [www.ci.huntington-beach.ca.us/citydepartments/planning](http://www.ci.huntington-beach.ca.us/citydepartments/planning) - look in the major projects section. Ms. Wood described the project. Discussion ensued with questions and answers. A subcommittee was appointed as follows:

Brent Cooper, Ray Halowski, Jennifer Winn, and Maggie Fitzgerald.

c. Supplemental Draft EIR for Centerline

Ms. Wood noted that EQAC commented on the first DEIR report on Centerline. Ms. Wood described the Supplemental DEIR. Discussion ensued, which followed with questions and answers. A subcommittee was appointed as follows:

Louis Von Dyl, Richard Rivett, Tom Hyans, Elaine Linhoff, and Chairman Hawkins

Chairman Hawkins asked Ms. Wood if there were other projects. Ms. Wood reported that they are awaiting the Notice of Preparation (NOP) for St. Mark's Presbyterian Church. The NOP for the Regent Newport Beach was distributed today to the outside agencies and will be available on-line.

5. Report from EQAC Representative to GPUC

None.

6. Report from EQAC Members on GPAC

Laura Dietz reported there was a presentation on Bolsa Chica. Ms. Wood said they are trying to give the committee presentations from other communities that have faced similar issues as Newport Beach faces.

7. Report on LCP Process

Sharon Wood reported that the technical comments were received from the California Coastal Commission (CCC). Scheduling is in process for the LCP Certification Committee to meet and review the CCC's comments.

8. Council Member Reports

Council Member Nichols reported that he called up the house that is being built at 34 Ocean Boulevard.

Council Member Nichols reported on the take over by the City of Coast Highway and asked if that would have an Environmental Impact Report for the committee to look at. Ms. Wood responded that any proposed physical changes will have an environmental review.

9. Report from Staff on Current Projects

This report by Ms. Wood was covered after the discussion of item 4c.

10. Public Comments

Tom Hyans commented that the biological resources; a discussion of traffic analysis and traffic models as they relate to seasonal impacts; and a presentation by Hoag Hospital on their master plan will be coming up soon on GPAC.

Chairman Hawkins commented that they received a notice of resignation from Gail Borquez. Mr. Borquez was Mayor Pro Tem Ridgeway's At-Large appointee. Chairman Hawkins said the Membership Subcommittee needs to start pulling together some potential members for EQAC to forward to Mayor Pro Tem Ridgeway for his consideration.

Chairman Hawkins asked Council Member Nichols if he had a candidate to fill the vacancy At-Large. Council Member Nichols responded that he did have a candidate but it has not been confirmed as yet; and if anyone knew of others who would serve District 6, to urge them to apply.

11. Future Agenda Items

- Membership Subcommittee to report on rules of attendance proposal
- Subcommittee reports on Irvine Business Complex office
- Draft EIR for Pacific City, Huntington Beach
- Supplemental Draft EIR for Centerline
- Regent Hotel Notice of Preparation (NOP)
- St. Mark's Draft Environmental Impact Report
- New Meeting Location because of Police Department lock down for security reasons.

Chairman Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

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